

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

GERARD et al.

Appl. No. 09/438,358

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**Compositions And Methods For** For:

Recombinational Cloning of

**Nucleic Acid Molecules** 

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## Petition For Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(1)

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

It is hereby requested that the period for filing a Brief on Appeal be extended three months from June 1, 2002, to September 3, 2002, by the filing of this Petition and fee payment.

The petition fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)) is believed to be \$520.00 for the difference between a two month extension and a three month extension of time for a large entity. It is noted that the \$400.00 fee for a two month extension of time was previously paid on August 1, 2002, by authorization to our deposit account. Therefore, the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge the fee of \$520.00 to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.

If extensions of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 other than those provided herewith are required to prevent abandonment of the present patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned. The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.

Respectfully submitted,

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